

The Grange

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CHRISTMAS FESTIVAL

THE GRANGE will be decorated for Christmas again this year, under the guidance of Emmy Lind, in preparation for the holidays and the Christmas Festival. The Festival is being held in The Grange on December 5 and 6 between 12 and 4 p.m. There will be homemade baking, preserves, jellies, mincemeat, shortbread and candied peel for sale. A CHRISTMAS SLIDE TALK will be given each day at 2:30 p.m., and an exhibition by book illustrators of "THE NIGHT BEFORE CHRISTMAS" has been arranged in THE MUSIC ROOM, by Ann Mills. The books have been loaned to The Grange by "The Osborne Collection of Early Children's Books".

THE ART GALLERY is also part of the Christmas Festival. It will be open from 11 a.m. to $5:30~\rm p.m.$ on December 5 and 6, and they have all sorts of things going on.

THE MEMBER'S LOUNGE will be serving a late breakfast of croissants and coffee. A special lower level café is being set-up, where one can buy finger foods and open sandwiches. As well the normal dining services will be open.

COOKING DEMONSTRATIONS will be given by famous artists whose favourite recipes are featured in the new book "Culinary Palette". On Saturday the 5th at 12 p.m., bannocks will be done. At 12:45-hummus, and at 1:30 Imperialists cake! On Sunday the 6th at 12 p.m. it will be chicken wings, followed by creme de menthe cookies at 12:45 and whole wheat herb bread at 1:30. Each of these "creations" will be served to the first 50 people at the demonstrations and yogurt soup will be served throughtout the period.

STORY TELLING for children ages 4 to 12 is being given in Orientation Room #4 between 2 and 4 p.m. each day. CONTINUOUS FILMS are being shown in the same room for ages 2 and 3 from 11:30 to 1:30 p.m., and again between 2 and 4 p.m.

If you are having a problem with your Christmas list, THE ART RENTAL GALLERY is having an exhibition entitled "Artful Giving". You can buy or rent, one of a kind pieces of art - paintings, sculpture, hand-painted tote bags and pewter.



Please come and bring your family and friends. It will be fun and the baking is fantastic.

Please do not forget the STAFF TRAINING SESSIONS. On Wednesday, December 2 at 7 p.m., there will be a Christmas Slide Talk, and a Christmas Party, where wine and cheese will be served. On Thursday, December 3 at 10 a.m., coffee and shortbread will be served and the Christmas Slide Talk will be given again.

Since this is one of our busiest times of the year, we hope that everyone will make a special effort to come on their regular day.

Anyone who has not brought in their "Christmas Festival goodies", please do so no later than December 2. They will all have to be "dressed up" and labelled by then.

DAY CAPTAINS

After The Gallery closed on November 17, Vera Coombs Tuesday afternoon group met for a discussion of Anne Langton's book "A Gentlewoman in Upper Canada".

Bits were recalled by members that described the various aspects of pioneer life at "Blyth" in the 1830's and 1840's.

There were many hardships, but from Anne's diary one gets mostly a picture of three English gentlewomen, coping in the wilds with surprising resourcefullness and good spirits.

After the discussion, seven of the members went for dinner at The Village by the Grange.

Barbara Snively of the Wednesday group sends this news of their group. They have had several sessions with each member having presented a paper (these are available). Some of the topics have been, Guest Houses, Mail, Education, View from the Bakeroom Windows, Newspapers and Early Maps, Roads and Transportation, Parliament Buildings. All of these topics led to further discussion.

The Wednesday group is also attending Thursday evening lectures on the "Victorian Scene" held at Enoch Turner School House.

Among the recent important personages to visit The Grange on a Wednesday have been William Chins great, great grandaughter, and Edmund Walkers (lawyer to Goldwyn Smith's grandniece)

Beverley Sutton"s Friday group has been making tours of historical sites. They have already been to the Redpath Sugar Museum and Colborne Lodge. On Friday, November 27 at 9:45 a.m., they will meet at Campbell House before coming into The Grange for their regular shift.

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MISCELLANEOUS

The Osborne Collection of Early Children's Books is located at 40 St. George Street, and is part of Boy's and Girl's House. They are having an exhibition of books entitled "AROUND THE CHRISTMAS TREE" from December through January 15, 1982. Following that, between January 16, 1982 and February 28, 1982, they are displaying books by Lewis Carroll (1832-1898) as part of a sesquicentennial exhibition.

Margaret Crawford Maloney is the head of the collection, and can be reached at 593-5350 for further information.

